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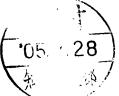
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citations and explanations supporting such statement			
Statement			
Novelty (N)	Claims	1-5	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-5	YES
	Claims		NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-5	YES
	Claims		NO

Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability;

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Document 1: JP 2958697 B2 (H. Stoll GmbH. & Co.), October 6, 1999 Document 2: JP 2003-73961 A (Shima Seiki MFG., Ltd.), March 12, 2003 Document 3: JP 3140990 B2 (Shima Seiki MFG., Ltd.), March 5, 2001 Document 4: JP 3-75656 B2 (Shima Seiki MFG., Ltd.), December 2, 1991 Document 5: EP 698679 A1 (Shima Seiki MFG., Ltd.), February 28, 1996

### Claims 1-5

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The novelty and inventive step of claims 1-5 cannot be refuted based on documents 1-5 cited in the ISR.